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Draft report

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Chapter ___
Organization of the session

A. Opening and duration of the session

1. The Commission on the Status of Women held its fiftieth session at United Nations Headquarters on 22 March 2005 and from 27 February to 10 March 2006. The Commission held _____ meetings (1st to __).

2. The session was opened by the Chairperson of the Commission, Carmen María Gallardo (El Salvador), who also made a statement.

3. At the 2nd meeting, on 27 February 2006, the Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations and the President of the Economic and Social Council addressed the Commission.

4. The Commission viewed a short video presentation highlighting the four World Conferences on Women.

5. At the same meeting, a statement was made by the Assistant Secretary-General and Special Adviser on Gender Issues and Advancement of Women.

B. Attendance

6. The session was attended by representatives of 45 States members of the Commission. Observers of other States Members of the United Nations and for non-Member States, representatives of organizations of the United Nations system and

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observers for intergovernmental, non-governmental and other organizations also attended.

C. Officers of the Commission

7. In accordance with paragraph 2 of Economic and Social Council resolution 1987/21, the officers elected to the Bureau of the Commission should serve for a term of office of two years. The following officers were elected at the 1st meeting of the fiftieth session, on 22 March 2005:

Chairperson:

Carmen María Gallardo (El Salvador)

Vice-Chairpersons:

Szilvia Szabo (Hungary)

Adekunbi Abibat Sonaike (Nigeria)

Thomas Woodroffe (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland)

Dicky Komar (Indonesia)

8. At its 2nd meeting, on 27 February 2006, the Commission appointed Dicky Komar (Indonesia) to serve as Vice-Chairperson-cum-Rapporteur for the fiftieth and fifty-first sessions.

D. Agenda and organization of work

9. At its 2nd meeting, on 27 February, the Commission adopted its provisional agenda and approved its organization of work as contained in document E/CN.6/2006/1. The agenda read as follows:

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
3. Follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and to the special session of the General Assembly entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century":
   (a) Review of gender mainstreaming in entities of the United Nations system;
   (b) Emerging issues, trends and new approaches to issues affecting the situation of women or equality between women and men;
   (c) Implementation of strategic objectives and action in critical areas of concern and further actions and initiatives:
      (i) Enhanced participation of women in development: an enabling environment for achieving gender equality and the advancement of women, taking into account, inter alia, the fields of education, health and work;

(ii) Equal participation of women and men in decision-making processes at all levels.

4. Communications concerning the status of women.

5. Follow-up to Economic and Social Council resolutions and decisions.

6. Provisional agenda for the fifty-first session of the Commission.

7. Adoption of the report of the Commission on its fiftieth session.

E. Appointment of the members of a working group on communications on the status of women

10. Pursuant to Economic and Social Council resolution 1983/27, the Commission established a working group to consider communications concerning the status of women. The following five members, nominated by their regional groups, were appointed:

Nadjeh Baaziz (Algeria)

Lara Romano (Croatia)

Jorge Cumberbach Miguén (Cuba)

Westmoreland Palon (Malaysia)

Heda Samson (Netherlands)

11. The working group held ___ meetings.